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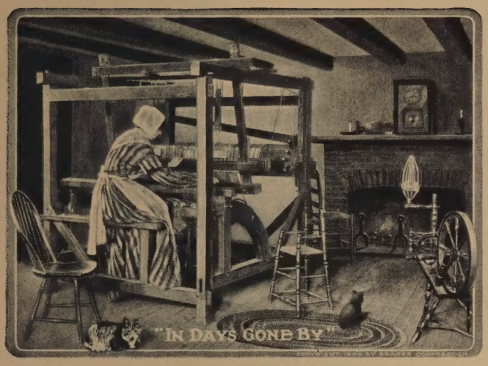

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THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL FIELD DAY

Of Draper Corporation Employees was held on August 12. The day was cloudy, with occasional showers, and before midday the remainder of the program was postponed until the following Saturday, when unfavorable weather again interfered, causing a further postponement of the ball game, which was finally decided, like the games of our regular Twilight league, by an evening contest.

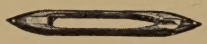
The crowd in attendance on both days was near the record, being about 3000. This larger attendance of the past two years as compared with the number present for several years previously was undoubtedly due to the efforts of recent Field Day committees to vary the program and increase the number of active participants in the various events by adding contests open to those to whom the more strictly athletic events would be closed as participants, and by the increase in the community features.

The unfavorable weather on both days interfered with the work of our photographer, but the following pages show some of the better snapshots taken of the several events of the day.

THE NIGHT BEFORE FEATURED BY CHILDREN'S PARADE, COMMUNITY SING AND MOVIES

The "night before" was a memorable occasion for the townspeople of Hopedale. The Children's Parade, illustrations of which are shown on pages 8 and 9, was the best of these yet held.

The Community Sing followed with the people seated on the side hill in the rear of the company office building. Shortly after 8.30 it was dark enough for the open-air movie, and "The Ruling Passion" was presented by The Hopedale Community House, Inc.



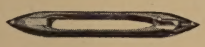
SOMETHING FOR THE KIDDIES

An event on the day's program that made a hit with the kiddies was the presentation to every child between five and ten years of age of a free ticket to the field day, these tickets entitling them to an ice cream cone, a box of cracker jack and a toy balloon.

The older people whose sole participation in the field day was that of spectator were not forgotten in the distribution of favors. Three Ten Dollar Gold Pieces were given away by drawings of names of employees. These drawings were held at 10.30 A. M., 1 and 4 P. M., and if the one whose name was drawn for the prize was not present to claim it, the drawing was continued until the name of some one present came out of the box.

Four similar drawings of Two Dollar and a Half Gold Pieces for school children of Hopedale were held at 9.30 and 11.30 A. M. and 1.30 P. M.

During the day refreshments were served from several booths. Some of the prices were: ice cream cones 4 cents; ham sandwiches 4 cents; coffee 4 cents; hot frankfort with roll and mustard 4 cents; and soft drinks 4 cents.



SUPERINTENDENT'S CUP

One year ago Mr. Frank Edmands, general superintendent of the company, presented to the Field Day committee a handsome Trophy Cup to be held each year by the department whose representatives scored the highest number of points in the several contests on the program. The cup was won both years by Dept. 5-8.

Mr. Donald Fraser, assistant superintendent, has given a special prize cup each year for permanent possession by the individual contestant scoring the highest number of points. This has been won by Arthur Dion several times.

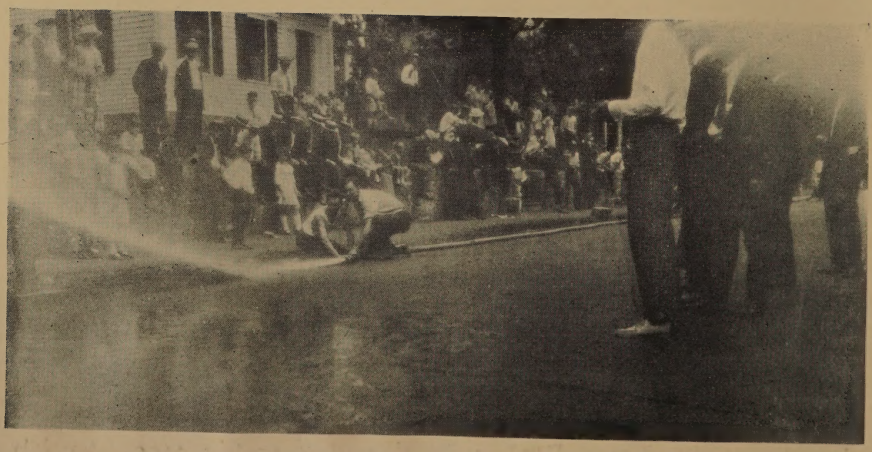
BLOCK DANCING

The closing event on the program as laid out, but which was postponed twice on account of the weather, was the out-door dance. Dutcher street, for the entire length of the Town Park, was closed to traffic, treated with

a mixture that made its hard surface a fair dancing floor and illuminated by 150 electric lights of different colors.

The Hopedale band, whose music had been an enjoyable feature of the several sessions of this continued field day, gave a pleasant program of dance music, and both dancers and the large gathering of spectators pronounced it a fitting climax to the field day of 1922.

120 Yard Hurdle
Preliminary



Wet Hose Coupling Contest

Circus Parade

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Girls' Potato Race

The Crow

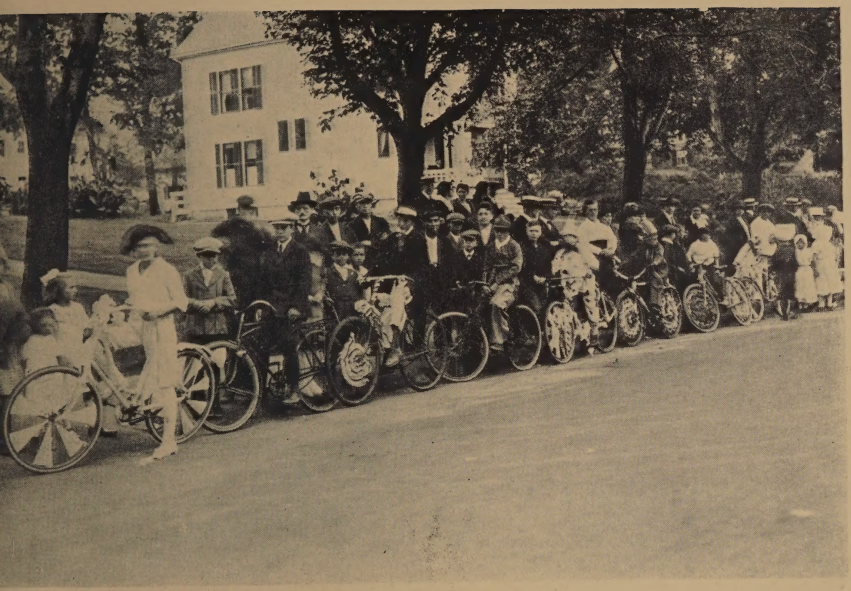
The Circus

Second Day

Button Sewing Contest

Children's Parade Before the Line-up

Children's Parade Doll Carriage Division



Children's Parade Bicycle Division

Children's Parade Fancy Costumes

Relay Race The Start

120 Yard Hurdle Race

One Mile Race The Finish

Ice Cream Eating Contest The Line-up

Ice Cream Eating Contest

Infants' Race Under Five Years